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Letters TO THE EDITOR

UNIVERSITY FOR POWDER RESERVE?

Dear Sir,

Your paper is the voice of the very fast growing suburb of Altona and the surrounding areas. The proposal to use the old Explosives site for a boys home seems to me a very short sighted scheme after I read Mr. Bolte's announcement in the "Sun" this morning.

The Government is prepared to spend £1,550,000 on university extensions, and they are now looking for a site for a new university, and are looking at the sites on Crown land available.

Now where else will there be a site with a magnificent view of the bay on one side and a well kept lovely golf links on the other? The proposed extension of the railway to Maidstone Street and the provision of a few more buses would fill the transport need. And if the parking facilities are not enough there is more land available nearby.

If Mr. Bolte could stand and look at this site, and he is a man of vision, he would see at once that this is the only bayside site that would be the setting for a university equal to any in Australia. The spot is easily accessible by road and the Western Suburbs I am sure, would welcome a chance to share in the university life of Victoria.

I am only one voice but it seems to me that this is something that would bring both prestige and progress to the already very progressive Shire of Altona. What about it, Mr. Editor?

Yours faithfully,
A Rate Payer in the Shire of Altona.

(Name Supplied.)

A.N.Z. BANK LENDS £10,000 TO ALTONA

To enable construction of roads Australia and New Zealand Savings Bank Limited has made available to the Altona Shire Council a loan of £10,000.

Manager of the Bank's West Footscray Branch, Mr. D. O. Thomas, stated that good support for the Savings Bank by the public in this district has made it possible for funds to be released to such bodies to assist in desirable and necessary developmental work.

Since its establishment in 1956, ANZ Savings Bank has made available substantial funds to semi-government and municipal bodies for essential projects and in particular, those associated with housing. In addition, individuals and co-operative housing societies have been generously assisted in accordance with the bank's desire to do everything possible to help the housing situation.

The Shire President (Cr. G. den Dulk) said that this assistance by the bank would enable the council to pursue the progressive construction of Chambers Road and McIntosh Road in Altona North to arterial standards.

RATES MUST BE PAID BY FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 1964.

REQUEST FOR PARK

A request for early development of Irwin Reserve at Altona North has been referred to the Parks and Foreshore Committee of Altona Shire Council.

Now that unmade roads are being made and extra population is coming to the area, residents wish to see it developed as a children's recreation area with a graded area for football or cricket and children's games, including a playground.

NEW INDUSTRIES?

Future planning of Laverton must be carefully watched said the Board of Works Chairman, Mr. R. E. Trickey, during the Premier of Victoria's visit last Friday.

Mr. Bolte had stated he knew of three particularly large industries which would be established between Altona and Werribee.

With their erection a vast residential area is expected to be developed between Altona and Laverton.

At the meeting of Werribee Council this week Cr. Powell suggested they must be careful and see that factory permits which would hamper residential development in this area are not issued.

Petition Against Training Centre

A petition opposing the establishment of a Youth Training Centre on the Explosives Reserve has been organised by the Altona Apex Club.

Residents interested in objecting to the proposed scheme are asked to add their signature to the petition. Business people in Pier Street have co-operated with the club and pages of the petition are on display in various shops.

All residents are urged to add their signatures to the petition either by calling into the shops or contacting a member of Apex.

The petition reads—"We the undersigned firmly oppose the establishment of a Youth Training Centre on the area known as The Explosives Reserve situated west of Altona. We realise the value and necessity of such establishments, but believe Altona is totally unsuitable as a site for the following reasons—

1. Retardation of the natural western residential expansion of the Shire;
2. Restriction of already limited beach accessibility for western suburbs;
3. Lack of established facilities for effective assimilation into the community;
4. Cessation of explosives operation foreshadowed an increase rather than decrease in property values; and
5. Highly technical and automoted local industry offer no suitable employment opportunities for unskilled labour."

DELINQUENT CENTRE
ALTONA COUNCIL AGAIN REBUKED

The Chief Secretary, (Mr. Rylah) again used strong words in criticising Altona Shire Council. His most recent criticism appeared in a Melbourne newspaper.

He claimed that Government plans to establish a Youth Training Centre had received a sharp set back from Altona Council.

Altona Council had refused to co-operate in a plan submitted by Mr. A. R. Whatmore, Director-General of Social Welfare, for the establishment of a youth training centre within the walls of the Explosives Reserve.

He went on to say that too often the Government's efforts to rehabilitate prisoners had been frustrated by local interests who give lip service to such a policy.

WERRIBEE WANTS UNIVERSITY

Werribee Shire Council is planning to submit to the Universities Commission a strong case for establishing the third university within its boundaries.

Acting on the suggestion from the Werribee Chamber of Commerce, the Shire President (Cr. A. Davis) is convening a meeting of interested parties for April 23.

Prior to this meeting the Council Development Committee, which consists of a representative from each Riding, will meet to discuss the possibilities of different sites within the Shire.

Cr. Davis requests attendance at the meeting on April 23 of all residents who are interested in their children's education and the future advancement of the Shire.

The venue of the meeting will be announced later.

ADDITIONS TO POLICE

The Chief Secretary (Mr. Rylah) announced today that two additional high-powered pursuit vehicles have been added to the strength of the Victoria Police Force.

The strength of the Wireless Patrol has also been increased by 12 police and the Transport Branch by four additional constables.

This will mean, Mr. Rylah added, that an additional Wireless Patrol car will be provided for 24 hours a day to cover the area from Broadmeadows to Altona, inclusive, and thus ensure increased coverage and police protection for the area.

A UNIVERSITY IN ALTONA

Melbourne's third university could well be situated in Altona. Conditions laid down by the Premier (Mr. H. E. Bolte) favour Altona as do certain features inherent in Altona itself.

The significant announcement by the Premier that it was intended to implement the report of the Australian Universities Commission and establish a third university in Melbourne has caused much interest.

Mr. Bolte has further made progressive remarks re the possible site for this institution. These in their context can only be regarded as favourable to Altona's prospects.

On occasions the Premier has stated certain pre-conditions to the establishment of a univerity—

(a) **Must be near the centre of Melbourne;**
(b) **Preferably on Crown land; and**
(c) **Not in existing parks and reserves.**

Not remarked by Mr. Bolte is the fact that with the existing universities in the north and south-east of the city, from a purely objective viewpoint, a western site is required.

From the above factors a strong case can be made for Altona. It is as near the centre of the city as other less potential sites. It can be erected on Crown land not at the expense of parks and reserves. It is in the south-western area of the city—an almost ideal counterpoise for Monash University.

Among other obvious advantages of Altona can be listed—

1. **The vital fact that 25 per cent. of Altona's population are students;**
2. **Its flat terrain;**
3. **Its accessability to Geelong and western and northern districts;**
4. **Its proximity to the Metropolitan Farm for agricultural studies; and**
5. **Its proximity to Melbourne's manufacturing and processing industries in Sunshine and Footscray, together with the Petrochemical Complex in its midst offers unparalleled opportunities for engineering and science studies.**

Other considerations must be given regard in reaching a decision for a site for the third university. The points raised here cannot be denied.

It is for those interested in Altona's welfare and its progressive educational development to see that its claims are put forward with due weight to those responsible for the selection of a site.

PMG ASKED TO MOVE CABLES

Altona Council will apply to the PMG to place underground the thick PMG cables suspended from poles across Pier Street on the south side of Civic Parade.

An approach will then be made to the SEC to make the street light on a bracket from the pole in Civic Parade. This will do away with two unsightly electric light poles on the south side of Civic Parade.

MONEY STOLEN

36/10/- in notes was stolen from Norman Charles Taugge, of 34 Rose Street, Altona.

TECHNICAL SCHOOLS SWIMMING WIN

Altona North Technical School won their section of the Inter-Technical Schools Swimming Sports held at Olympic Pool last Friday.

Six technical schools competed in D Section and Altona North were placed first, second or third in 15 of the 26 events.

Results were as follows—

Altona North, 174; Coburg, 166; Tottenham, 147; Keon Park, 138; Sunshine, 137; Geelong East, 116; Glenroy, 97.

The events and swimmers who represented Altona North Technical School are listed in detail below—

Open 50 Metres Butterfly.—I. Richards, 8th.

Under 15 Butterfly.—D. Sheahan, 6th.

Under 12 Freestyle.—R. MacLelland, 3rd.

Under 13 Freestyle.—B. Bougoure, 2nd.

Under 14 Breaststroke.—E. Dawe, 7th.

Under 15 Breaststroke.—P. Wagner, 1st.

Open 100 Metres Breaststroke.—J. Szabo, 1st.

Under 12 Backstroke.—R. McClellan, 5th.

Under 13 Backstroke.—B. Bougoure, 6th.

Under 14 Freestyle.—E. Dawes, 3rd.

Under 15 100 Metres Freestyle.—P. Wagner, 3rd.

Open Medley.—R. Cue, C. Molloy, J. Szabo and G. Dougherty, 4th.

Under 15 Medley.—P. Wagner, I. Neal, E. Dawe and A. Gluyas, 4 th.

Open 100 Metres Backstroke.—R. Cue, 3rd.

Under 12 Breaststroke.—R. MacLelland, 4th.

Under 13 Breaststroke.—C. Mellett, 4th.

Under 14 Backstroke.—R. Robinson, 2nd.

Under 15 Backstroke.—I. Neal, 4th.

Open Freestyle.—R. Cue, 2nd.

Under 12 Relay.—R. MacLelland, G. Berry, I. Barker and D. Forrester, 6th.

Under 13 Relay.—B. Bougoure, G. Lucas, S. Cronin and R. Forrester, 1st.

Under 14 Relay.—E. Dawes, R. Robinson, I. Griffiths and K. Rivett, 3rd.

Under 15 Relay.—P. Wagner, D. Coker, D. Sheahan and A. Gluyas, 1st.

Open Relay.—R. Cue, G. Dougherty, C. Molloy and I. Lucas, 1st.

Diving, Under 14.—A. Sheppard, 2nd.

Diving, Open.—K. Rivett, 2nd.

£30 IN FINES AND LOSS OF LICENCE

Rex Johnson Robertson, of Edina Street, North Williamstown, was charged with exceeding 35 m.p.h. in Champion Road on May 26, 1963, and with driving in a manner dangerous in Kororoit Creek Road. He pleaded not guilty to the last charge.

First Const. H. Rowe said at 6.20 p.m. on May 26 he was on point duty directing traffic at the intersection of Victoria Street, Champion Road and Kororoit Creek Road. He just cleared the left hand lane of traffic at the round about when he heard a loud bang from behind him. He turned and saw a Ford Customline making a left hand turn from Victoria Street into Kororoit Creek Road. It turned at a fast rate of speed and made a right hand turn then left into Champion Road. He estimated its speed at 40 mph, the tyres were squealing.

He was forced to get between parked cars to get out of its way. He took the number of the car.

The Police Anglia, driven by Const. Edwards followed it. In reply to Robertson he said he had done 40 around the round about in the Anglia, but Robertson said it was impossible to do it in a Customline.

Const. E. Edwards said he was at the intersection and saw defendant come out of the hotel parking area, turn into Kororoit Creek Road and then into Champion Road. The tyres were squealing and he hit the kerb as he turned. He followed him along Champion Road at 70 mph. The car turned into Edina Street and pulled up in a driveway. When he asked defendant what he meant for driving like that, Robertson said, "I suppose it was a bit fast."

Robertson said in the witness box that Rowe must have got his figures mixed up as he said it was impossible to drive around the round about at 40, especially in his car.

Mr. E. Jackson, J.P., sitting with Mr. Dann, Mr. Lovegrove and Mr. King, J.s.P., fined him £25 in default one month's imprisonment for driving dangerously and cancelled his licence for three months. He fined him £5 on the other charge.

EDITORIAL

MOTHERS' CLUBS AND SCHOOL COMMITTEES

The Mothers' Club held their annual meeting. During the year a large amount was raised, various additions to equipment were purchased as well as substantial increases to the library. If we were to insert the name of any Altona School and the sum of money in the foregoing, it would be a typical report for most Altona schools in any of the past few years.

Assisting the head master and staff of each of our schools are bodies such as these—school committees, school councils, parent and citizen associations, mothers' clubs all with a common aim—the welfare of the school of their adoption.

The Education Department provides in effect a certain sum for what it deems essential equipment and maintenance. There is another figure which the head master together with his committee or council considers necessary to acquire further facilities most desirable for the school. This latter figure which seems never to grow less would need the purse of Fortunatus to satisfy. However, the schools are not dependent on such a source. They have the real and tangible aid of enthusiastic funds of the schools.

These people are not influenced by feelings of whether the Education Department could do more or of concern at the recurring requirements of the head master. They see the need and they seek to satisfy it. They have their recompense in the joy of giving and in the joy of achievement.

It may be that most mothers' clubs and parent-teacher groups could do with many more active workers.

No doubt committees and councils would appreciate more interest by parents in school election meetings. But the main purpose of these remarks is not to enlist more aid. That we feel should come spontaneously according to the need.

Our purpose is simply to say, "thank you." Thank you to the president down to the most humble worker.

Thank you on behalf of the community. Thank you also on behalf of the staff and children of our schools who will in the years to come so benefit from your activities.

OBITUARY

It is with regret that we record the death of Mr. James Whitaker, who died suddenly at his home, 77 The Parade, Ascot Vale, on Friday, April 3, aged 48.

Jim was well-known to many Altona residents as he was associated with Kirby Theatres and was manager of the Strand Theatre, Pier Street, for years.

He was held in high esteem by everyone who knew him. He had a very cheerful disposition and was willing to help anyone when ever possible. Jim was experienced in many of the building trades and did a lot for the Life Saving Club. He would have done more if he had lived nearer Altona. He is survived by his wife, daughter and three grand children.

A fitting epitaph to him would be—

"I shall pass through this world but once. Any good deed therefore which I can do, or any kindness I can show to any human being, let me do it now. Let me not defer it or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again."

PIGEON RACING

2nd GLENALBYN 21/3/64—1st, W. Haigh & Son, 1216 yards per minute; 2nd, R. Richardson, 1209; 3rd, G. & H. Ward, 1189; 4th, C. H. Keeshan & Son, 1132.

1st WYCHEPROOF 4/4/64—1st, R. Mizzi, 966 yards per minute; 2nd, R. Richardson, 964; 3rd, G. & H. Ward, 932; 4th, W. Haigh & Son, 923.

WANTED—YOUR POINT OF VIEW

IS the church up to date? Is it making any worthwhile claims? If not—why not?

During April and May at the Altona Presbyterian Church, 241 Civic Parade, a series of special services will be conducted from 7 to 7.45 p.m. (this will not clash with TV viewing).

The services are so planned that the point of view of "The Man in the Pew" will command attention. In other words—an ordinary member of the church will speak to ordinary everyday folk. People have something to say and are wanted to come and say it as these srvices.

The services are as follows—

April 12: Christian Education.—Mr. J. M. Kidd, school teacher.

April 26: The Church Where You Can't Go.—Mr. M. Griffiths.

May 10: The Church in my Community.—Cr. G. den Dulk, Shire President.

May 31: Where Does my Church End.—A team effort by the Church Elders.

The speakers hope to provoke discussion and bring about a clearer understanding of respective points of view. Not "Fighting Words," but "Exciting Words."

RATES MUST BE PAID BY FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 1964.

ALTONA WORKING MEN'S CLUB NEWS

CLUB BUILDING PROGRESS

Steady progress has been made over the past week with the club building, but the much needed rain on Tuesday of this week caused a minor setback to our brick laying progress.

We have taken delivery of the two aluminium frames for the bayside end of the main hall and ladies lounge and the building is now taking on every appearance of a really good club house.

On Sunday afternoon rigger Johnny O'Boyle, ably assisted by his off sider Gordon Stirling, perched aloft on the hall structure, hoisted the heavy section of aluminium window and door frame structure into position.

The ground crew included fitters Ivon Northage, Jack Green, Mel Hammett, Bob Short, Harry Gibson and Bill Spence.

Bill Bouwens made an afternoon family call just to check up that we were doing things right and working to schedule.

Harry Walker was a one man working bee last Saturday afternoon when he filled an area with quarry waste ready for concreting in May—providing precious finance is available. Another busy individual bee was Ivon Northage who slapped a coat of primer on the doors. More to be done soon.

TENDERS

In this issue of "Altona Star" and also the "Footscray Mail" public notices have been inserted calling for tenders for fixing roof purlins timber wall framing and external doors.

These tenders have been advertised on the recommendation of the recntly appointed building committee comprising of Messrs. P. Nicholson, F. Newman, W. Bouwens, L. C. Noordenne and W. Spence.

This work must commence shortly to keep up with the schedule to complete the building to lock up stage by the end of June. Every endeavour will be made to raise sufficient finance.

METTING WITH COUNCIL

Messrs. M. Hammett and W. Spence attended the meeting of the Parks and Foreshore Committee of the Altona Shire Council. It was learned the area of land allotted by the council to the club is being surveyed and would be pegged out and more clearly defined within a few weeks.

Also the construction of Altona Road is to be undertaken very shortly—adverse weather stopped preliminary work on it this week.

There is now an understanding with council that when necessary the club will be granted use of council earth moving equipment provided the club pays operators wages. However, the request for assistance to build a breakwater out of the rocks on the club site was not forthcoming, mainly due to time and cost involved.

WORKING BEE

There is to be a working bee on the club site this Saturday afttrnoon, April 11, at 2 p.m.

Main jobs for the volunteers who will need the aid of shovels, barrows and clean paint brushes are—painting aluminium framework with petroleum jelly, clearing the hall area of quarry waste, re-locating bricks and complete some back filling. Do not forget your aids to the jobs.

ANGLING

Although only a small mustering of anglers with no big fish on the hook came to the meeting last week, those present expressed a keen interest in the business of the mtetting. They have affiliated with the Victorian Piscatorial Council.

As it is considered essential for the success of this section there was much discussion on the question of whether the section should purchase one large boat or two smaller ones.

However, quite a number of members have their own boats and Ken Fox, 4 Curlew Avenue, secretary of the angling section, requests members who own boats to inform him so that he may compile a list of boat owners to enable the committee to organise a days fishing on the bay. He also requests information on any reasonably priced boats in good condition which are for sale. Either write him a note or call at his home.

INDOOR BOWLS

Out of the 80 members registered for bowling it is anticipated six teams may be entered in pennant competition this season. Competittion commences on May 18. Twenty-one ends will be played this year instead of 16 as last year.

The six pennant teams are as follows—

John Bray, Doris Sheriffs, Joyce Rowe and George Sheriffs;

Jack Gore, Sid Burgess, and Alice Gore;

Bill Bouwens, Alan Lyon, Nell Bouwens and Thelma Lyon;

Bob Beattie, Ivy Gore, Jack Sutton and Madge Beattie;

Jim Green, Elsie Lock, Jim Smith and Jane Turner;

Alan Gore, Rene Baldwin, Ada Roberts and Joyce Yates.

Reserve players: Charlie Baldwin, Harold and Edie Snowling, Alice Yates, Margt Spence, Jack Evans, Sue Barber and Lex McConachy.

Team captains are responsible for organising transport and attendance of their team for matches. On games night all players are requested to bring a plate (not empty).

At the conclusion of games for last month two teams tied for first place. The teams captained by Ada Roberts and Doris Sheriffs will play off this Thursday night.

On Friday, April 17, 34 members will pay a social visit to Werribee Bowling Club at Chirnside Park, at 8 p.m.

TABLE TENNIS

It was pleasing to see Les Russell and Fred Gramsbergen among the 18 enthusiasts who turned out on such a cold and dismal night to play.

The teams entered into the winter competition of the Western Suburbs Table Tennis Association has been graded as follows—one team in Section C2, another in D2 and two ttams in Section D3.

The teams will play on Wednesday nights with two teams playing at home.

Home ground will possibly be the Esplanade Tennis Club at Williamstown.

Further information will be supplied at a later date.

IMPORTANT DATES

Garden Section will meet on Tuesday, April 14, at 8 p.m. in the Methodist Hall.

Table tennis will be on the same night and same place.

Membership meeting is arranged for Monday, April 20, at 8 p.m. in the same hall.

The Ranch Nite Dance on Saturday, April 25, in St. Mary's Hall—obtain your tickets now.

Club Badges—priced at 4/- each—are available from Stan Rowe, 15 Grieve Highway.

Church Notices

ST. MARY'S
Railway Street, Altona.
Masses.
Sundays: 7.30, 9, and 10.30 a.m.
Holy Days: 7, 8 a.m., and 6 p.m.
First Fridays: 7 a.m., and 6 p.m.
Week Days: 7 a.m.
Saturdays: 8 a.m.
Confessions.
Saturdays: 10 a.m., and 7 p.m.
Eve of Holy Days: 7 p.m.
Eve of First Fridays: 7 p.m.
First Friday (Maltese): 4-5.30 p.m.
Y.C.W. (Girls).
Parish Hall every second Tuesday at 7.45 p.m.
Rev. Father J. Nooney, P.P.
Father V. Rubeo.
St. Mary's Presbytery, Railway Street, Altona. Phone: 65-8964.
St. Joseph's Convent, Sargood Street, Altona. Phone: 65-8686.

BAPTIST CHURCH
Sargood Street, Altona.
Cordially welcomes you to all meetings.
Services: 11 a.m. and 7 pm.
Communion: First Sunday morning and Third Sunday evening.
9.45 a.m.: Sunday School.
11.30 a.m.: Junior Christian Endeavour.
2.30 p.m.: Intermediate Christian Endeavour.
7 p.m.: Evening Service.
A friendly welcome to all.
Monday.
7 p.m.: Girls Life Brigade.
8 p.m.: Ladies Evening Fellowship, second and fourth Mondays.
Tuesday.
2 p.m.: Ladies Guild. Alternate Tuesdays.
8 p.m.: Young Peoples Christian Endeavour.
Wednesday.
6.45 p.m.: Life Boys.
8 p.m.: Mid-Week Prayer Service.
Friday:
7.30 p.m.: Boys Brigade.
Minister—Pastor R. J. Reynolds. 62 Blyth Street, Altona. Phone 65-8829.

ALTONA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
241 CIVIC PDE., ALTONA.
Sunday Services:
9.30 a.m.: Worship.
10 a.m.: Sunday School (members of the Sunday School join in Worship from 9.30 to 10 a.m.).
MINISTER.—Mr. John Baillie, The Manse, 9 Lindwood Ave., Altona. Phone: 398-1591.

BROOKLYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
9 PARINGA ROAD, ALTONA NORTH.
9.45 a.m.: Sunday School.
11 a.m.: Worship.
Sunday, April 12:
Board of Management:
8 p.m.: First Tuesday of each month.
Ladies' Guild:
First and third Wednesday afternoons of each month.
You are invited to share in the Worship and Fellowship of "The Friendly Church."
MINISTER: Mr. Colin L. Squires, The Manse, 11 Paringa Road, Altona North.

SALVATION ARMY
Queen Street, and Civic Parade, Altona.
Sunday:
8.30 a.m.: Prayer Meeting.
9.30 a.m.: Sunday School, eight years and over, Queen Street Hall. Three years to eight years, Civic Parade Hall.
11 a.m.: Holiness Meeting, Queen Street Hall.
7 p.m.: Salvation Meeting, Queen Street Hall.
Tuesday:
4 p.m.: Girls Club, Civic Parade Hall.
7.30 p.m.: Boys Club, Civic Parade Hall.
8 p.m.: Prayer Meeting, Queen Street Hall.
Resident Officer.—Lt. How, 108 Queen Street, Altona.

LAVERTON METHODIST CHURCH
(Held in Church of England Hall, Goble Street, Laverton.)
Sunday School: 3.15 p.m.

METHODIST CHURCH
Seves Street, Altona.
Sunday.
Sunday School: 9.45 a.m.
11 a.m. and 7 p.m.: Divine Worship.
Monday:
7 p.m.: Senior Rays (for girls 12-15 years).
Tuesday.
Every second Tuesday the Ladies' Guild meets at 1.30 p.m.
Wednesday:
4 p.m.: Junior Rays (for girls 9-12 years).
Minister—The Rev. R. G. Hoatson, B.A. Phone 65-5220.
Deaconess—Laurel G. Davey. Phone 65-6048.

ST. CLEMENT'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND LAVERTON
Goble Street.
Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.: Parish Eucharist.
First Sunday in each month: Family Service.
The Sunday School meets at the church at 9.30 a.m. every Sunday, except the first in the month, when the children join their parents in the church at 11 a.m.
Holy Baptism: 11 a.m. every second month.
G.F.S.: Monday evenings: Juniors 5.30 p.m.; Seniors 7 p.m.
Vicar—Rev. Dargaville, St Thomas' Church, Werribee.

ST. EANSWYTHE'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND
Queen Street, Altona.
Sunday Services:
8 a.m. and 9.30 a.m.: Holy Communion.
9.30 a.m.: Junior Sunday School (Grade 3 and under)
11 a.m.: Junior Church (Matins), and Senior Sunday School (Grade 4 and over)
7 p.m.: Evensong.
Mid-Week:
Wednesday, 10.30 a.m.: Holy Communion.
G.F.S.:
Intermediates: Each Monday from 6.30 to 7.30 p.m.
Juniors: Each Thursday from 6.30 to 7.30 p.m.
Y.M.D.M.Y (Young Wives):
Second Tuesday in the month at 8 p.m.
Ladies' Guild:
First Wednesday in the month at 8 p.m. AND third Tuesday in the month at 1.45 p.m.
Men's Society:
Third Friday in the Month at 8 p.m.
C.E.B.S.:
Every Friday at 7 p.m.
Youth Fellowship:
Every second Sunday after Evensong.
VICAR—W. W. Moriarty, Bent Street, Altona. Phone 398-1005.

ALTONA NORTH METHODIST CHURCH
Corner Marion Street and Sixth Avenue, Altona North
Sunday:
9.45 a.m.: Sunday School
11 a.m.: Divine Worship.
Minister—The Rev. J. C. Adamthwaite, 158A Blackshaws Road, West Newport

LUTHERAN CHURCH
On second Sunday of each month in the Methodist Church, Seves Street, Altona.
A. W. Wndersitz, Pastor. Phone: 68-4168.

QUEEN OF PEACE
Laverton.
Masses.
Sundays: 7.30 and 9 a.m.
Holy Days: 8 a.m., and p.m.
First Fridays: 6.30 p.m.
Week Days: Thursdays, 1 a.m. Saturdays, 8 a.m.
Confessions.
Eve of Holy Days: 7 p.m.
Eve of First Fridays: 7 p.m.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND, ALTONA NORTH
St. Luke's Church of England, Altona North, is present in the Brooklyn We Primary School, corner Blackshaws Road and Misten A
11 a.m.: Holy Communi and Sunday School.

The Social Whirl

If you have any news of a birthday, engagement, wedding, or social event, it can be included in these pages. Phone 65-8880—there is no charge.

JAZZ COMES TO ALTONA

Saturday, April 11, the newly opened Altona Shire Hall will be THE place to be for all those who are, or think, young.

The U.25 (under 25) weekly casual (but respectable) Trad Jazz dance will be opening on that date.

The Rathdowne Street Ramblers Jazz Band's leader and organiser, Bob Paul, has great hopes of the club being a success because "Jazz is good music to listen to as well as for dancing."

"We are forming a club with memberships as it has proven the most suitable method of screening those few mischief makers and unsociable types, who, if allowed a free reign, give all young people a bad name and spoil the enjoyment of the many by their selfish acts," he said.

When asked what he personally thought of the Beatles Bob laughed and said, "We don't intend to compete in their field and I doubt very much if they are worried too much about ours, but we have one thing in common and that is we are all trying to entertain and believe that young people like good swinging bands as long as they have a solid beat, whether they be Rock, Mersey or Trad. As that old Jazzman Fats Waller said, 'It don't mean a thing if it aint got that swing,."

CHURCH PICNIC

Destination of the Altona Presbyterian Church picnic next Saturday afternoon is a secret.

When they report at the church for a 1.15 p.m. start car drivers will be given their instructions.

An endeavour will be made to provide seating for those without transport.

Barbecues facilities, hot water and a shop are available at the picnic rendezvous—picnickers have only to bring their own foodstuffs and utensils.

"IOLANTHE"

● HELENA JONES

Helena Jones has been in many productions by the Williamstown Light Opera Company, the most recent being "Maid of the Mountains" in which she played Teresa.

The company are indeed fortunate to have Helena as a member, as her glorious soprano voice would be an asset to any professional production. In Gilbert & Sullivan's "Iolanthe" Helena will play the role of Phyllis for an eight night season at the Mechanics' Institute, Electra Street, Williamstown, commencing Friday, April 24.

See advertisement for bookings.

GREENWOOD–ASHBY WEDDING

A Bible with a nylon lace cover from Scotland was carried by bride Nola Ashby pictured with her husband, Brian, leaving the Methodist Church, Altona, after the celebration of their wedding on Easter Saturday.

The cover and the attached sprig of heather were both brought out from Scotland by the bride's "adopted mother" Mrs. J. McFadyen, of Sussex Street, Seaholme.

The bride who was given away by her "adopted father" Mr. J. McFadyen, wore a slim fitting nylon organza frock with separate train caught at the waist with a bow. Her fingertip veil was held by a row of tiny rosebuds.

Betty Thomas from Brisbane, who flew down especially to be bridesmaid for her best friend, wore a street length teal coloured slipper satin frock with matching fascinator in her hair. She carried a bouquet of frangipanni.

Best man was John Gent, of Caulfield. He and the groom were friends back in Essex, England, before they migrated to Australia.

Among the 60 guests who enjoyed the reception at Marion's Hall were a close friend of the bride from Brisbane, Mrs. J. Brighton, friends from NSW and some friends of the groom from Yea where he has been living.

For her going away outfit the bride looked very attractive in her deep mauve Thai Silk frock and jacket with matching hat and gloves and black shoes and bag.

The couple honeymooned at Mt. Gambier and have now left to settle in Yea.

COSMETICS DEMO.

A demonstration by Vardin Cosmetics will be held at the home of Mrs. M. Grieve, 24 Fenfield Road, Altona West, tonight (Thursday, April 9) at 8 p.m.

An admission charge of 2/6 will be charged to aid funds of the Altona West Primary School Mothers' Club. All are welcome to attend.

VACANCIES AT KINDER.

Vacancies exist at Seaholme Kindergarten for two children who will turn four years of age by June 30, 1964.

Mothers interested please apply to the directress at the kindergarten in Parkside Crescent.

GIFT TO HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Altona Historical Society has been presented with important mementos of Altona's history.

The society has gratefully accepted a piece of the ribbon and the scissors used to cut the ribbon at the ceremony in October, 1922, to celebrate the electrification of the Altona railway line.

The ribbon was cut by the late Mrs. Murphy, wife of Mr. J. Murphy, who at the time was president of the Altona Progress Association. During his lifetime Mr. Murphy was also a councillor representing Altona on the Werribee Shire Council.

Their daughter, Miss Doris Murphy, of Sargood Street, presented the mementos together with a photograph and cutting from a newspaper to the society.

It is planned to display the gifts in the society's room in the Homestead in Queen St., (the former Civic Offices).

Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month in the room at 8 p.m. The next meeting will be Wednesday week, April 15. Residents interested in Altona's history are most welcome to attend.

WORK ON NEW CHURCH STARTS

The 16th of October is the planned date for the completion of St. Mary's new church in Altona.

Cost of the church fully furnished will be £51,000.

Successful tenderer was L. P. Kelly and Company, who started foundation work for the building last week.

It is hoped last Tuesday is not a forerunner of the weather to come as the rain brought work to a standstill.

APPEAL COLLECTOR

George Skinner, well known former resident of Altona, was instrumental in collecting £10/4/9 for the Royal Children's Hospital Appeal conducted on Good Friday.

RATES MUST BE PAID BY FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 1964.

SUCCESSFUL EASTER FOR BOWLERS

Altona ladies were well to the fore in bowling at Albury during the Easter Carnival.

Runners up to the winners out of 112 rinks entered for the Albury Ladies Carnival Fours played on Good Friday was a rink from Altona Ladies Bowling Club.

Jane McNeilage skippered the rink which consisted of Isla Probert, Flo McDonald and Phyl Stephens.

Two other Altona players, Vera Turner and Essie Olliver playing with visitors from other districts, reached the semi finals.

Thirty players—both men and women—went to Albury to participate in the Carnival.

An Altona rink won the Men's Fours played on Easter Saturday at the Commercial Club. Bill Monkhouse was skipper and with him were Jack Fisher, Bert Hill and John White.

Alan Gore was in the team which came out runners up at the Men's Fours played on Easter Sunday at the Returned Soldiers and Airmen's Club.

Not all the Altona bowlers migrated to Albury for Easter.

President George Russell and his wife accompanied by Don and Elaine Slothorp, chose to play at Finley in New South Wales.

George and Don reached the quarter finals of the pairs and playing with another visitor were runners up in the triple.

Playing closer to home Alan and Dulcie Shaw were members of the rink which won the mixed fours at Newport on Easter Monday.

Alan skippered the rink which besides Dulcie, included Ted and Kit Steller from the Rosamond Club.

SILVER WEDDING

Family and friends went to the holiday venue of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Smith of Queen Street, Altona, to celebrate their silver wedding anniversary with them.

The Smiths were holidaying at Warburton.

Their daughter and husband, Doreen and Cyril Gregory and three children, Reg, Bob and Marj, of South Kingsville were with them.

Neice and nephew, Mr. and Mrs. George Miller and their three sons, Malcolm, Garry and Peter, from Queen Street, joined the party, as did old friend Mr. Sheehan of Warburton.

SUCCESSFUL MOTHERS' CLUB

£500 was the magnificent sum raised by the Brooklyn West Primary School Mothers' Club for the year 1963.

Purchases by the club included physical culture aids, playground equipment, library books, cuisenaire sets and a television set. A new concrete cricket pitch has just been laid.

Officers elected for this year are—

PRESIDENT: Mrs. J. Hillier; VICE PRESIDENTS: Mesdames W. Twist and W. Russ; TREASURER: Mrs. K. Cameron; SECRETARY: Mrs. R. Cartwright; ASSISTANT SECRETARY: Mrs. J McHardy.

Future meetings of the club will be held at the school in the afternoons.

The first meeting will be next Tuesday, April 14, at 1.30 p.m.

NEW ZEALAND WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Locke, of 48 Mount Street, Altona, happily announce the marriage in Auckland, New Zealand, of their eldest son, Ronald.

On Thursday, April 2, he married the former Merle Lawson of Auckland.

Ron and his bride intend to return and settle in Altona in approximately two years time.

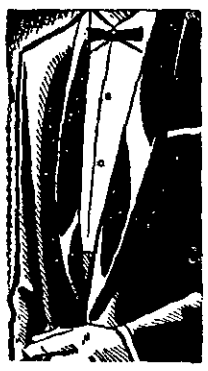
ALTONA PRIMARY SCHOOL MOTHERS' CLUB SPECIAL MEETING

The president wishes to call a special meeting to be held at the school on Tuesday, April 14, at 10.30 a.m. to discuss urgent business that has arisen since the last meeting.

DANCE

Scouters and their friends are reminded of the next dance on Saturday night, April 18, at 8 p.m. in the Scout Hall, Civic Parade, Altona.

A good band with latest dances for the young moderns and supper will be provided for an admission charge of 4/-.



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SPORTING PERSONALITIES PAST AND PRESENT

No. 31.—HARRY ATKINSON, RedEx Car Trial.

Car Trials, although not listed on the every day sporting calendar, have the happy knack of acquiring a big following of enthusiasts when the time requires it.

A keen follower of the automotive sport for many years, Harry Atkinson has taken part in two car trials, both of which entailed the greatest endurance, and the roughest driving conditions one could tolerate. They were the 1953 and 1954 around Australia RedEx Car Trials.

Harry had previous experience on around Australia travelling, as in 1939 he completed the round tour on his BMW motor cycle; the trip taking six months. He has always been interested in the motor bike sport, and some years ago was a member of the Harley Motor Bike Club, and during his membership had won many scrambles and other events held by the club.

The 1954 RedEx Trial proved a tough trip for Harry and his mechanic Ron Wiseman, as after completing 8500 miles of the world's toughest car trial in their Citroen, they were forced to withdraw 1100 miles from the finishing line.

Commencing on Saturday, July 3, 1954, the trial started in Sydney and the route took the contestants through Northern New South Wales and on to Brisbane. On the trip through the Northern River Country, Harry and his mechanic gained time on other contestants by reason of some shrewd navigating, and use of a detour. A wrong turn out of Brisbane almost upset the early part of the tour for Harry, but this was soon corrected and no points were lost. Secret controls set up at unknown points along the route were testing the ability of drivers to maintain set speeds, and this arrangement was to prove the fly in the ointment for the rest of the tour.

After leaving Brisbane, Harry and partner had their first major poblem—they had sprung a leak in their 34 gallon emergency petrol tank, which meant that everything at floor level in their car was petrol soaked.

On the trip to Townsville, Harry was able to make up two hours leeway on hearing there was no secret controls on this section.

The route from Townsville to Cloncurry gave Harry something to think about, as being bogged in a river for half an hour is not exactly a motorists delight. Over the 83 mile stretch from Cloncurry to Mount Isa, which called for a 28 mile per hour average, the next set back came—this time a puncture, but also a saving in points, as it saved the crew from arriving ahead of time at the control.

After some hectic cross country driving, the section from Mount Isa to Darwin was somewhat of a change with its bitumen strip. It was during this stage of the tour that Harry and his mechanic carried out some rough repairs, such as straightening rims and mud guards with an axe.

Katherine in the far north of Australia is rough country at any time, and at that stage of the tour 40 cars became caught in the deep sand. But keeping to the grass, Harry kept out of trouble and thus was able to gain a 30 car lead.

Lack of an oil bath air filter began to bring trouble for the Citroen on the run to Christmas Creek. Dust haze thrown up by the numerous cars on this stage began to infiltrate into the car engines. Other trouble at Christmas Creek was a blown head gasket and plenty of red dust deposits instead of the normal carbon in the engine. Oil consumption also increased to a gallon every 100 miles.

Mud trials were part of the rigors on this trial and from Meekathara to Perth the Citroen with its front wheel drive was able to handle the conditions much better than some of the lighter conventional types.

Further trouble appeared, for after leaving Perth a big end packed up near Northam. With the help of the towns people the bearing was remetalled and installed in 11 hours, and so Harry and his mechanic reached Kalgoorlie four minutes after the control closed. This was the end of the section, as by this late arrival they were officially out of the trial.

Bad luck again on the run across the Nullabor—another big end had run to the end of its tether. This time the removal of a piston was required, and through some ingenious method of cracking the piston away with a pair of pliers from underneath the Citroen then continued on three.

Across the Nullabor with an engine at its best in a fair grind, but on three cylinders a mighty feat. Cleaning of spark plugs and oil changed every 50 miles was needed at this stage.

Forty-five miles out of Adelaide the car finally packed up—another big end had gone and Harry and his partner continued the trip home by plane.

Sleep was almost a forgotten thing on some stages of the trial and 36 hours was the longest stretch that Harry and his mechanic were without rest.

Had the Citroen been capable of completing the trial, it would have given Harry more satisfaction to have finished the journey on four wheels, instead of by air.

Would Harry go on one of these trials again? Well, that's a good question! But twice bitten with the bug, it could happen again if the opportunity arose. — STAN CLEGHORN.

APOLOGY

We apologise for last week's sporting identity column being headed incorrectly under the name of "Danny Webb."

The heading should have read "Danny Gunn," who fought under the name of "Danny Reilly. — STAN CLEGHORN.

10-PIN BOWLING

After two easy wins for the Internationals and Fisher Motors only one point separates them from first and second place.

Close behind, only five points away, are the United States Air Force, and with five more weeks to go it is any one of the three for the title.

Best scores bowled for the night were H. Brand (Fishers), 175; J. Sans (Fishers), 180; B. John (Gilbertsons), 180; L. Coughlan (Gilbertsons, 180; J. Hufsteter (Central Hotel), 172; O. Abbate (Internationals), 185; T. McIvor (Internationals), 185; P. Elvin (Wanderers), 176; D. Foulstone (Wanderers), 173; M. Zull (Continentals), 177.

Three 200 plus games were bowled on the night These were bowled by B. John (Gilbertsons), 203 and a 529 series; M. Zull (Continentals), 205 and a 532 series; J. Sans (Fishers), 205 and a 533 series.

RESULTS

Fisher Motors 4, defeated Gilbertsons 0.

USAF 4, defeated Continentals 0.

Central Hotel 3, defeated Haack Motors 1.

Internationals 3, defeated Wanderers 1.

LEAGUE LADDER

Internationals	79
Fisher Motors	78
USAF	74
Central Hotel	68
Gilbertsons	65
Wanderers	52
Continentals	41
Haack Motors	33

TABLE TENNIS NEWS

SOCIAL DANCE

Table tennis players who like dancing, together with their friends, are cordially invited to a social dance on Saturday, April 18, at the Oddfellows Hall, in Pascoe Street, Williamstown.

Tickets are available from committee members or at the Table Tennis Centre, Garden Street, Williamstown.

WINTER PENNANT

The popularity of competition play is emphasised by the steady increase in the number of teams and players. This winter the association will field a record 72 teams in nine grades, and although competition does not start until April 29, quite a number of players are hard at practice within their own clubs and at the centre.

An interesting feature of the growth of table tennis lies in the fact that teams and players come from every suburb in the Western Suburbs sphere.

Altona will field six teams, including four from the enthusiastic Working Men's Club, now in process of construction at Seaholme; their teams will operate from the centre until their own rooms are available.

Brooklyn has two teams of experienced players, plus other teams from Rheem and Co-operative Farmers.

ALTONA HOCKE CLUB NOTES

The opening of hockey season comm ced in perfect weat with Altona succeed in three matches and ing one. Results are follows—

A GRADE 3, defeated C long 1. Goal hitters: Smith, E. McCauley and Stevens 1 each. Best playe A. Baillie, P. Hunter and Bartlett.

B GRADE 3, lost to Stra more 4. Goal hitters: Verity and K Burgess 1 ea

C GRADE 6, defeated U versity 1. Goal hitters: H 4, Orchard 1, Gardiner Best players: M. Greenw and L. Smith.

D GRADE 5, defea EGSOB 1. Goal hitte Ranger 3, Hunter 1, Bu anan 1. Best players: Hur and Ranger.

CAR TRIAL

The Hockey Car Trial a success. The terminat point was old Gisborne. T trial was won by B. Sm with Miss Dianne Bruce ing the navigating. Af lunch a good sporting gram was ran with succe

UNDER AGE HOCKE

UNDER 16 at home to th old rivals, Kew, should h had a winning score on board at half time, but accuracy in front of goal them down badly. Ivan Ne netted from a penalty cor to give Altona a 1-0 lead half time.

In the second half K netted twice in as ma minutes and this unsett Altona and more bad sho ing for goal cost them game.

Final scores: Kew 2, feated Altona 1. Best playe Graham Page, John Gold and Charlie Abela.

UNDER 14 defeated Foo cray in a one sided game Altona. Attacking from bully, Altona scored go from all angles, their h line was too strong for Fo scray to penetrate and at h time Altona had seven go on the board.

Two tired sides took field in the second half the locals scored two m goals to run out winners

Goal scorers: Bill Dun 3, Keith Gathercole 2, T Abela 2, George Mizzi 1 Brian Smith 1. Best playe Colin White, Bill Duncan Tony Abela.

NEXT GAMES

Under 16 v. Brunswick Brunswick at 9.30 a.m.

Under 14 v. Greensborou at Greensbourough at a.m.

Under 12 v. Greensboro at Greensborough at 1 a.m.

Transport is available fr the Post Office at 8.30 a.m

KOORINGAL GOLF ASSOCIATES

The President, Mrs. W ker, was hostess at this special day of "Preide Day," and a very g day was had by all.

The competition for day was Foursomes. Resu are as follows—

GROSS: Mrs. C. McDi and Mrs. V. Jacobsen (16 90 strokes.

NET: Mrs. McAuliffe Mrs. V. Serong (27½), strokes.

PUTTING ON ROUN Mrs. E. Bleak and Mrs. Leckie, 31 putts.

Mrs. C. Brown and M M. Logan broke their ha caps—congratulations.

Mr. Bolte Told Laverton Needs Improved Water

The inadequacy of Laverton's water supply and the need to expedite proposed improvements were stressed by councillors during the visit of the Premier of Victoria, Mr. H. E. Bolte, to Werribee Shire last Friday afternoon.

With Mr. Bolte were the Hons. G. L. Chandler d R. Garrett, M.L.C., and Mr. R. E. Trickey, airman of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board Works.

Mr. G. R. Crick, M.L.A., his apology for inability attend through illness. All rribee Councillors were sent with the exception of Griffiths who sent an logy for his absence.

uring the visit Mr. Bolte eiled a plaque on the t of the Shire Office ding commemmorating the tenary of the Shire.

hree of the Ridings stres- the urgency of a better er supply in their areas. Powell and Hudson ke on the needs of Central ing. Cr. McNaughton on drilling for water by the nes Department in West ling and Cr. B. Comben sented the troubles ex- lenced in East Riding. On alf of South Riding Cr. lin had suggestions re- rding the mouth of the rribee River and Point ok.

Mr. Trickey was asked if could expedite the ur- t work of providing ade- te water mains to streets the old Laverton sub-divi- n, that is, south of the lway line. Instead of a r inch main running ng the side streets from six inch main in Railway enue, at present only or- ary house tappings are ng each street. The Board ve agreed to new four inch es but only when a re- red number of houses are lt which would then make an economic proposition the Board of Works.

East Riding offered to pay the extension of the Rail- y Avenue water main to e Recreation Reserve. The use tapping to the reserve not good enough for the velopment of the grounds. Now that Central Avenue being constructed and with e release of surrounding d by the Board of Works development Cr. Comben ggested the Board should rry with the laying of a in from Aviation Road ng Central Avenue and nnect up with the four inch in which runs from Rail- y Avenue to the old school use. This would allow the ea to progress more quickly.

It was pointed out clearly at any cost chargeable to e Shire for these works uld be readily met by East ding.

Doubts have also arisen in uncillors minds on the oard's plans for the im- oved water supply to the using Commission area. At resent a four inch water ain running under the rail- ay line from the Aviation oad six inch main supplies e Commission area.

This tapping from Avia- on Road is to be closed off. lans submitted by the Board the council show a new ain will be laid from the inch main which runs long the old Geelong Road nd supplies the whole of averton and Point Cook ith water.

But councillors understood s well as the 18 inch main eing tapped the 24 inch main unning parrallel to this one as also to be tapped to upply water to the Housing Commission area. The Board as indicated this plan is nly a location plan but councillors pointed out to Mr. Trickey the assurance hey needed that both mains vould be tapped.

Mr. Trickey answered that s Chairman of the Board he did not make decisions but f Laverton to the respective e would refer the problems committee for attention.

LAVERTON GUIDES
(By Janet Luck)

On Good Friday Cap. took us on a three day camp to Moggs Creek, near Airey's Inlet.

There were 12 of us, one of whom was Sue Priestly a visitor from Williamstown trying for her Camper's Badge which she needs to become a Queen's Guide. Pat Brimble, Laurel and Erica Stobie, Tuesa Curry, Christine Schneider, Moya Woolmer, Joyce Robertson, Janet Luck, Cheryl Brossnan, Margaret Bentleigh and Lesley Taylor were the other Guides present at the camp.

On arrival we pitched our tents and set up other equipment. The second day we made camp gadgets to keep our gear off the ground, like makeshift racks, and also made tripods for basins to stand on. We had a picnic lunch on the surf beach and on Saturday evening we had a campfire and initiation ceremony of camping names for the Guides.

Sunday was visiting day, in the morning we did our usual chores and prepared lunch before the visitors arrived.

The District Commissioner (Mrs. Frearson) visited us and inspected the camp and had lunch with us after which she was escorted by Laurel Stobie and myself on a walk to the beach along with some of the visitors.

Afternoon tea was provided by the Guides for the visitors. It was our last night and we had a "Guides Own" (open air church service), followed by a camp fire (singing Guide songs round the camp fire), to which the Spotswood Guides were invited. Afterwards we had supper and went to bed.

We arose early and went on a breakfast hike. Unfortunately later in the morning it began to rain.

After lunch we broke camp in the rain.

We arrived home on Monday around 6 p.m., cold and tired, but we had had a wonderful time on Cap's permit camp and hope that she was successful with her permit.

On behalf of all the girls who went I would like to thank our Q.M. from Werribee, our Ranger Assistant and Mrs. Alexander, Captain, for the way they looked after us.

If Cap. gets her permit it means that we will have many more camps to look forward to.

BRAYBROOK HORSE AND PONY CLUB

Braybrook Horse and Pony Club held an Easter Camp at Hanging Rock.

Thirty members of the club with their horses attended. Rides around the district were held and on the Sunday a Gymkhana at Hanging Rock Racecourse.

Kyneton, Kilmore, Riddle Creek and Braybrook competed with Braybrook being the successful club, winning a trophy donated by "Pop" Mercer of Kyneton.

J. Kay of Princess Court was awarded the champion sash for winning the aggregate.

Last Saturday the club held a novelty Gymkhana and G. Bridges of Altona won the under 14 years champion sash for novelty rides.

HOUSES DAMAGED BY BLASTING

Houses in Ulm Street, Laverton, are apparently being damaged by blasting in the area.

Residents consider blasting in connection with sewerage works for new Commission houses and foundations of the new bridge is the cause of much damage to their properties. Allegations of cracked walls and even movement in house foundations have been made by the occupiers of the houses.

The trouble was brought to the notice of Laverton Progress Association at their meeting last Monday night.

The Association decided to request Werribee Shire Council to approach the Victorian Housing Commission on the matter with the view to inviting them to investigate the damage.

LAVERTON FOOTBALL CLUB

Laverton footballers will play a practice match this Sunday afternoon, April 12, at 2 p.m. against the Social Welfare Club of Melbourne.

Next Wednesday evening at 8 p.m. the committee of Laverton Football Club will meet in the club rooms.

LAVERTON CRICKET CLUB

The Laverton Cricket Club will hold its annual presentation Social in the Tennis pavilion at the Memorial Hall Laverton, commencing at 8 p.m. on Saturday night next, April 11.

All members who participated throughout the year, their friends and anybody interested in playing with the club next season are cordially invited to attend.

LAVERTON STATE SCHOOL

Laverton State School Mothers' Club, Epsom Street, Laverton, is holding a beauty demonstration by Vardin Cosmetics at 2 p.m. on April 15 in the Tennis Club pavilion at Laverton Recreation Reserve. Admission charge is 2/6 with afternoon tea provided.

DANGEROUS CORNER

A "Stop" sign in High St. near Railway Ave. is urgently needed consider members of Laverton Progress Association.

They assert traffic leaving the highway via High Street is turning into Railway Ave. without stopping.

This corner has become quite hazardous and has been the scene of several accidents.

The association will request the erection of the "Stop" sign.

NIGHT COUNCIL MEETINGS WANTED

Laverton Rate Payers Association would prefer Werribee Shire Council meetings to be held in the evenings.

They consider this would give all ratepayers the opportunity of attending any meeting so desired.

In a letter to the council the association will request the change and urge East Riding Councillors to support this action.

At present there are two meetings each month—one in the daytime and one at night.

RATES MUST BE PAID BY FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 1964.

HALL ON THE MOVE

Corio Boy Scouts Association has successfully tendered for the old Memorial Hall, Laverton. With the removal of this hall the way will be be clear for the erection of the new hall.

The tender for construction of the new hall submitted by Holdsworthy Construction Company has been accepted by Laverton Progress Association. The company asserts the erection of the building should be commenced within five weeks of removal of the old hall and they guarantee completion of construction work within six weeks of commencement.

An important meeting of the building committee of the association has been arranged for Sunday afternoon, April 12, at 2.30 p.m. All members are urgently requested to attend.

WERRIBEE RIFLE CLUB

Only two points separated the A Grade teams in the Geelong pennant shoot last Saturday.

A very bad light and tricky right wind kept scores to a low average. The top scorer for Werribee was R. McKim with a 47/50.

With only one shoot to go Geelong A Grade team are in a point score of 10, Corio Bay an unbeatable position with with 8 are second and Werribee 6.

B Grade points are as follows—

Bacchus Marsh 14, Werribee 12, Geelong 9, Corio Bay 5.

A GRADE

Geelong 272, Corio Bay 271, Werribee 270.

B GRADE

Bacchus Marsh 256, Werribee 249, Corio Bay 236, Geelong 234.

Next Saturday's Shoot on the home range will be over 900 yards.

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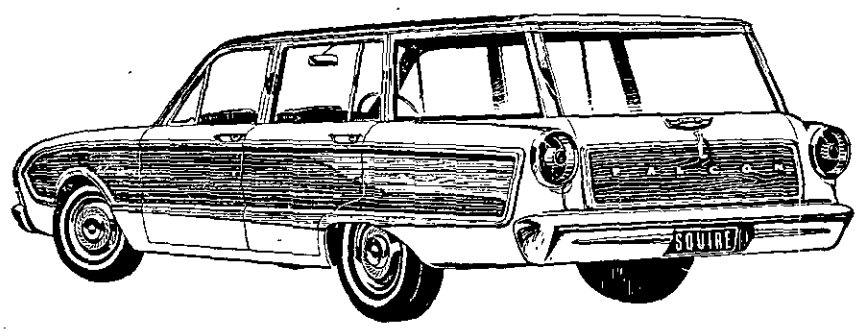

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Junior Football Commences on Sunday

Season 1964 for junior players in the Werribee Football League commences on Sunday next (April 12) and, as usual, these games are sure to provide great entertainment throughout the season.

Central Altona should again be the side to beat, but they should have tougher opposition from teams such as Altona, Werribee South, Werribee, Williamstown C.Y.M.S. and I.N.F., who all should prominently figure in the fight for honours this season. I.N.F. appear to be the team who will show the greatest improvement and will have to be taken with more respect this year than in the past.

Werribee Juniors will also be improved by their experience last year and should start on the road to returning to their form of the 50's by a good win over Williamstown CYMS on Sunday.

Other games on Sunday should have clear cut results and it will not be until later in the season that the four will start to take shape.

Games on grounds of the first-named clubs to be played on Sunday (with likely winners in capitals) are as follows—

ALTONA v. Laverton.
INF v. CENTRAL ALTONA.
W'town CYMS v. WERRIBEE.
Newport v. W'BEE STH.

OFFICIAL RUNNERS FOR W.F.L.

It was decided at the Werribee Football League Delegate's meeting last Friday night that each club would be restricted to one runner, for conveying messages to players, and that this official be supplied with an official League armband.

This decision will eliminate the often occurring fiasco during our games when as many as four men have been witnessed "galloping" on to the field with a towell draped over their shoulders and not one injured player in sight.

MAIDSTONE NOT ADMITTED

Following a decision by the Footscray District Football League refusing a clearance for Maidstone to enter the Werribee League delegates were informed that the senior competition would consist of nine teams this year.

North Melbourne Districts have been admitted and a bye now re-appears in the competition.

JUNIOR FIXTURE AMENDED

Owing to a charity picnic being staged at Soldiers' Reserve on Sunday, April 12, the junior fixture for the ensuing season was amended as follows—.

(a) The game listed between Werribee and Williamstown CYMS at Soldiers' Reserve on April 12 will now be played at Gray Reserve, North Williamstown; and

(b) The game between the same teams on May 31 will now be played at Soldiers' Reserve.

SENIOR ROUND ON A SUNDAY

Fixtures for the senior competition for the coming season were released on Friday night.

One of the surprises included in the fixtures was the planning of playing a complete round on Sunday, July 5, the day following the inter League match against Bacchus Marsh at Bacchus Marsh.

As a result of this fixture it was decided to select three players from each team for the combined side, two of which are to be included in the 18 players taking the field. This decision plans to cover any unfairness which may develop if selectors had an unrestricted limit on the number of players which could be selected from each club.

CASH AWARDS TO REMAIN THE SAME

Voting for the cash award, according to most delegates, appeared to work quite well last year and an almost unanimous decision was received to continue the awards, subject to satisfying the donors, in the same manner as last year.

CHANGE OF GROUND

Williamstown Rovers in the senior division have moved from Newport Oval and will now play home matches at the Strand Reserve, Newport.

KOORINGAL GOLF

Saturday's Bogey results at Kooringal Golf Club are as follows—

A GRADE: J. Cadzow (7), 4 up.

B GRADE: J. McCudden (12), 2 up.

C GRADE: R. Clancy (21), 2 up.

Monthly Medal was won by Jim Cadzow, one of our many promising juniors. Congratulations, Jim.

Sunday's Stableford resulted in a tie between G. McDiven, (9), 38 points and R. Turner (14), 38 points.

Associates' Stroke Competition on Sunday was won by Mrs. Cleak (29), net 70.

Next Saturday is the first round of the pennant season.

The senior pennant is away to Greenacres and juniors at home to Kingston Heath.

Roll up and give the pennant boys the support they deserve.

BOWLING CLUB NOTES

Altona bowlers are pleased to see three of their members well enough to again appear on the bowling green. Bert Hill playd at Albury over Easter, John Newton played at Altona last Sunday and Harry Woodyard, although not up to playing as yet, visited the club house on Sunday.

At the social game last Thursday Vera Sevior skippered the winning rink which consisted of George Bush, Myra Buck and Mabel Harris.

At the mixed social game on Saturday Vera Sevior was again in the winning rink which was skippered by Reg Watson. The other players in the ring were Bob Harrison and Elaine Sipthorp.

Members are reminded of the monthly social this Saturday evening, April 11.

Rostered for club house duty on April 15 are Stella Thompson, Carmen Ford, Ruby Fisher and Mabel Harris.

ALTONA JUNIORS IN GOOD FORM

Altona Junior Football Club defeated Kingsville by 43 points in a practice match at Grant Reserve last Sunday. It was their final practice match before the season starts next Sunday (April 12

	Altona	K'ville
1st Qr.	4 1 25	0 0 0
2nd Qr.	6 3 39	2 2 14
3rd Qr.	9 6 60	2 3 15
FINAL	11 7 73	4 6 30

GOAL KICKERS: J. Shaw 4, S. Driscoll 2, S. MacFayden 1, A. Camelleri 1, P. Abberton 1, G. Cummin 1, G. McCallum 1.

BEST PLAYERS: The whole team.

The umpires for the game were Messrs. N. Trickey and P. Gurrie, both are local residents. The committee of Altona Junior Football Club wish to thank them for a good display of umpiring.

The game was of a high standard.

Thirty lads took part in this game and it looks like the selection committee will have a hard time picking the team this season because of the talent of all players.

Mr. Lou Thompson, newly appointed coach, stressed that players talk to one another as team work is an essential to win games, and not individual efforts by or or more players.

The boys followed out the instructions all day and ra out easy winners in a ha fought game.

The players appreciated t soft drinks that were su plied by the ladies comm tee.

The committee of Altona would like to thank the co mittee and players of t Kingsville Football Club f the game.

At a meeting of the playe A. Bartolo was elected as t players' representative f season 1964.

The season starts on Su day, April 12, when Alto will play Laverton at Gra Reserve, Altona, commen ing at 2.30 p.m.

Refreshments will be ava able at the ground. Local re dents are invited to co along and support the lo boys.

Winner of the Circle N 4 Draw is No. 56.

W.F.L. SENIOR FIXTURES FOR 1964

Following are the Werribee Football Leag Senior Fixtures for Season 1964. The Junior Fi tures were published in the "Star" some wee ago—

APRIL 18
W'bee South v. Laverton
Cen. Altona v. Altona
Newport v. INF
W'town Rovers v. Nth. Melb.
Metro. Farm, Bye.

APRIL 25 (Anzac Day)
Cen. Altona v. W'bee South
INF v. Altona
Nth. Melb. v. Newport
Metro. Farm v. W'town Rov.
Laverton, Bye.

MAY 2
W'bee South v. INF
Altona v. Nth. Melb.
Newport v. W'town Rovers
Laverton v. Metro. Farm
Cen. Altona, Bye.

MAY 9
Nth. Melb. v. W'bee South
W'town Rovers v. Altona
Metro. Farm v. Newport
Cen. Altona v. Laverton
INF, Bye.

MAY 15
W'bee South v. W'town Rov.
Altona v. Newport
Laverton v. INF
Metro. Farm v. Cen. Altona
Nth. Melb., Bye.

MAY 23
Newport v. W'bee South
Altona v. Metro. Farm
Nth. Melb. v. Laverton
INF v. Cen. Altona
W'town Rovers, Bye.

MAY 30
W'bee South v. Altona
Laverton v. W'town Rovers
Cen. Altona v. Nth. Melb.
Metro. Farm v. INF
Newport, Bye.

JUNE 6
W'bee South v. Metro. Farm
Newport v. Laverton
W'town Rovers v. Cen. Altona
Nth. Melb. v. INF
Altona, Bye.

JUNE 13
Laverton v. Altona
Cen. Altona v. Newport
INF v. W'town Rovers
Metro. Farm v. Nth. Melb.
W'bee South, Bye.

JUNE 20
Laverton v. W'bee South
INF v. Newport
Nth. Melb. v. W'town Rovers
Altona v. Cen. Altona
Metro. Farm, Bye.

JUNE 27
W'bee South v. Cen. Altona
Altona v. INF
Newport v. Nth. Melb.
W'town Rov. v. Metro. Farm
Laverton, Bye.

JULY 4 (Saturday)
Bacchus Marsh Foot. League v. Werribee Foot. League.

JULY 5 (Sunday)
INF v. W'bee South
Nth. Melb. v. Altona
W'town Rovers v. Newport
Metro. Farm v. Laverton
Cen. Altona, Bye.

JULY 11
W'bee South v. Nth. Melb.
Altona v. W'town Rovers
Newport v. Metro. Farm
Laverton v. Cen. Altona
INF, Bye.

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Laverton v. Nth. Melb.
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W'town Rovers, Bye.

AUGUST 1
W'town Rovers v. Laverto
Altona v. W'bee South
Nth. Melb. v. Cen. Altona
INF v. Metro. Farm
Newport, Bye.

AUGUST 8
Metro. Farm v. W'bee Sou
Laverton v. Newport
Cen. Altona v. W'town Rove
INF v. Nth. Melb.
Altona, Bye.

AUGUST 15
Altona v. Laverton
Newport v. Cen. Altona
W'town Rovers v. INF
Nth. Melb. v. Metro. Far
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FINALS
August 22, Augst 29, Septe ber 5 and September 12. A at Chirnside Park, Werribe

ALTONA TENNIS CLU

Saturday's matches the Altona Tennis Clu Championships are as fo lows—

10 a.m.: J. Kelly v. I Campbell. 1 p.m.: L. Hu ton v. M. Walker. 2p.m.: I Johnston v. O. Kelly. p.m.: O. Kelly-Hutton v. I Parkinson-Gunn.

SUNDAY

10 a.m.: P. Trickey v. T Smith. Turner-Hutton Butterworth-Adcock. 11 a.m R. Graham-Pimpini v. C Trickey-Campbell. 1 p.m.: I Trickey-Adcock v. Findlay Spackman. 2 p.m.: Grahar v. R. Turner. Trickey v. C Kelly. 4 p.m. J. & O. Kell v. Findlay-Trickey. Graham Smith v. K. & B. Johnstor

At Williamstown Final Day Presentations held a Newport last Sunday six c the major trophies were wo by Altona players.

A Men' Reserve Singles.— C. Trickey.

Mixed A Reserve.—C. an P. Trickey.

Ladies' A Reserve Doubles —P. Trickey and O. Kelly.

Junior Under 15 Boys Singles.—M. Kelly.

Junior Under 12 Boys Doubles.—W. Kelly.

Michael Kelly also won th under 15 boys' doubles an singles in the Western Sub urbs.

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ALTONA AND DISTRICTS DART LEAGUE

Last Friday Bristol Hotel and Seaholme, who were both on the same match points and percentages, met to see who would emerge the victor and claim the coveted No. 1 position. Bristol made no mistake by sweeping Seaholme aside with a seven games win—to put themselves on top and Seaholme to fourth position.

I.C.I. crept into second position when they defeated Brooklyn Hostel. Laverton Progress moved into third position by defeating Altona Council by eight games.

Albright & Wilson scored an effortless win with a walkover from the Prince of Wales Hotel.

Union Carbide "broke the ice" by defeating Carbon Black.

Carbon Black and Gloucester are the only teams yet to score a victory.

DIVISION 2

In Division 2 Goodrich lost No. 1 position to the Laverton RAAF on percentage and going by comments of teams who have played Laverton RAAF they are the favourites as the Divisional premiers.

Laverton Marching Girls' Association "broke the ice' with a win over Crown Jewels.

Goodrich kept up the unbeaten record when they won by the odd game against ICI.

DIVISION 1 LADDER

Bristol Hotel 16, ICI 16, Laverton Progress 12, Seaholme 12, Albright & Wilson 8, Altona Dart 8, Altona Council 8, Brooklyn Hostel 4, Union Carbide 4, Prince of Wales Hotel 4, Carbon Black 0, Gloucester 0.

DIVISION 2 LADDER

Laverton RAAF 16, Goodrich 16, Bristol Hotel 12, Pt. Cook RAAF 8, Newport Darts 8, ICI 8, Laverton Progress 8, Yacht Club Hotel 8, Exchange Hotel 4, Laverton Marching Girls Association 4, Racecourse Hotel 4, Crown Jewels 0.

As from this week Prince of Wales Hotel is withdrawing from the competition, which now leaves a bye in Division 1. Any social club or hotel interested in taking up where the Prince of Wales left off (four match points and a 38.46 percentage) are requested to contact the League Secretary, R. Rose at 68-0214 (after 6 p.m.) as soon as possible.

NEXT GAMES

Games for April 10 (with likely winners in capitals) are as follows—

DIVISION 1

ALBRIGHT & WILSON v. Altona Council. Laverton Progress v. BRISTOL HOTEL. SEAHOLME v. Altona Darts. GLOUCESTER v. Carbon Black. ICI v. Prince of Wales Hotel. BROOKLYN HOSTEL v. Union Carbide.

DIVISION 2

Bristol Hotel v. LAVERTON PROGRESS. Point Cook RAAF v. GOODRICH. Laverton Marching Girls' v. ICI. CROWN JEWELS v. Newport Darts. LAVERTON RAAF v. Exchange Hotel. RACECOURSE HOTEL v. Yacht Club Hotel.

AUSTRALASIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

The organisation and venue for the 1st Australasian Darts Championships provided by the host State, New South Wales Darts Association, left nothing to be desired.

Our thanks go to the Burwood RSL Club for their immense co-operation in making their auditorium available as the venue. Every interstate person was made an honorary member of the club.

To give a full report on the three days of play would fill pages, so any person interested in a report may write to the President of the Victorian Darts Association, R. Rose, 4 Linden Street, Laverton, and one will be sent.

Results of the team championships are as follows—

New South Wales 32; West Australia 30; South Australia 23; New Zealand 21; Queensland 15; Victoria 14.

R. Tucker (Queensland) 3, defeated D. Keefe (New Zealand) 0 for the Australasian Singles Championship.

RESULTS C. SEAMAN TROPHY.—This trophy was presented to the ADC for annual competition for the executives of each STATE, namely, the President and Captain. This was conducted on a Round Robin basis and was won by the Western team (Tom Grenfell president, R. Montague captain) 2 games to nil against the Victorian team (Bob Rose president and Bert Smith captain).

H. Howells (Victoria) received a special badge for scoring 180 in a game.

FUTURE MEETINGS

As the annual conference of the ADC the following championships were allocated—

1965 NSW, 1966 NZ, 1967 SA, 1968 WA, 1969 Vic., 1970 Qld.

If Tasmania affiliate before 1965 they will be hosts in 1971, then the championships will rotate in the above order, 1971 NSW, and so on.

BLACKWOOD SPORTS

For those many Altona and Laverton people interested in the Blackwood Sports held on Easter Saturday, following are the results—

Timbroch Big Log Championship.—Les Caldwell, Traralgon.

Chain Saw Race.—J. Kremly, Sticht.

Open Standing Block.—F. Uheteside, Jancourt East.

Open underhand.—L. Munday, Warragul.

Novice Standing. — Stan Belovic, Daylesford.

Novice Underhand. — Ken Dunne, Trentham.

Miss Blackwood, 1964, is Miss Beverley Arnold, of Melton.

100 Yards Sprint.—R. T. Lloyd, of Bacchus Marsh.

75 Yards Sprint.— B. Mullane, of Ballan.

The carnival was conducted in hot weather and whilst its net profit was smaller than usual, the committee is pleased with the result.

The winning tickets in the raffle were—

1st, 967; 2nd, 410; 3rd, 1257. The holders have been notified.

APPLICATIONS FOR C.R.B. GRANT

The Shire Engineer (Mr. R. C. Simmons) has high hopes of receiving considerably more Country Roads Board grants for the year 1964-65 than has been granted in past years.

Applications will be made for main road works in Millers Road as follows—construction of channelised intersection at Civic Parade and divided roadway between Civic Parade and Kim Reserve, investigation and design of a second bridge to span Kororoit Creek in Millers Road and construction of divided roadway between May Street and the Geelong Railway crossing.

Applications will be made for works in the unclassified roads of Queen Street and Altona Road. It is planned to reconstruct and widen Queen Street from Maidstone Street westerly for a distance of 2600 feet. Construction of Altona Road from Civic Parade northerly for a distance of 2600 feet will be necessary.

ALTONA PEDAL CLUB

Members are reminded that the Coburg Rally is scheduled for next Sunday, April 12. Assembly point is 28 Linnett Street, at 9.30 a.m.

The last two weeks have been spent practising for this Rally, so it is anticipated that suitable rewards will be forthcoming.

Silver Pedal results for the last two weeks, March 28 and April 4 respectively are: 130, 42, 51; and 74, 18 and 95.

DEMOLITION GANG NEEDED

Boys of St. Eanswythe's Youth Fellowship here is your chance to really break something to pieces with no repercussions.

Next Saturday, April 11, work will begin on demolishing the old vicarage which was recently badly damaged by fire.

As the work will be in progress all day boys are asked to come at any time convenient to themselves and help with the task.

The girls are not forgotten as they can come along at 3 p.m. with a plate of food and help with the afternoon tea to be provided for the toilers.

Last Saturday night the Fellowship were pleased with the success of their dance which was attended by approximately 60 people. Members wish to thank their parents who assisted at the function.

YACHTING NOTES

Strong, gusty north winds forced officials to postpone racing last Sunday morning. In the afternoon the wind had abated sufficiently to allow racing in safety and the Moth and Heron Class races were held.

In the Heron Class Bill Korf in Sinbad lifted himself out of the novice ranks when he won convincingly from Trana by 11 minutes.

The Heron fleet has grown rapidly this season. There was only one yacht in this class at the beginning of the season—this Sunday six yachts will come under the starter's gun; and the class is already assured of another five yachts for next season.

The race for the Moth Class was a stern chaser (i.e. each yacht started on its handicap).

Ronnie (Keith Robertson) led for most of the race and took line honours and second fastest time.

Cheetah (Ray Marion) continued its successful run by recording the fastest time for the event.

MOTHS (10 miles)

1st: Cheetah (Ray Marion), 1 hour 21 minutes 52 seconds; 2nd: Ronnie (Keith Robertson), 1.24.56; 3rd: Quahlee (John Bartlett), 1.27.51.

The Handicap Section was won by Ronnie.

HERONS (10 miles)

1st: Sinbad (Bill Korf and Ron Bartlett), 1.34.57; 2nd: Trana (Russell and Rex McMasters), 1.45.58.

The Handicap Section was won by Sinbad.

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EDUCATION IN ALTONA

Educational facilities in Altona are good. They are the result of planned action aided by fine citizenship. From the first school, Altona State Primary, to the most recent, St. Joseph's Girls' Regional High School, there is a continuous record of progress.

From time to time this paper has published objective accounts of individual schools. This policy will be continued in the future. At present it seems a good time to study these and other schools in perspective against the background of education in Altona.

TEN SCHOOLS

The complement of schools in Altona is five State Primary Schools, St. Mary's Primary School, two High Schools, one Boys' Technical School and St. Joseph's High School.

There is no Girls' Technical School—in view of the sufficiently varied courses available at the high schools, no such need for one has been expressed.

As a provision for future needs, the Education Department has three areas reserved for school sites—one in Cresser Street on which a primary school will be erected in the near future, another at the corner of Miils Street and Ross Road and the third on Grieve Highway, opposite Altona High School.

Tenders are about to be called for a Catholic Boys' Secondary School, St. Paul's, in Blackshaws Road (this will serve a greater area than Altona alone).

STUDENTS REPRESENT 25% OF ALTONA'S POPULATION

There are approximately 4500 pupils now attending State Schools in Altona. New enrolments each year are around 500. Four hunderd and fifty pupils attend St. Mary's School and 64 students are in the one form at St. Joseph's School, which is only in its first year. With the increased school leaving age and the emphasis on longer periods of secondary education, school populations are rapidly growing. The new school planned in Cresser Street will relieve Altona East.

To use its available funds to the best advantage the Education Department has concentrated on essentials. In this respect Altona has little cause for complaint. Most school buildings are of recent origin, are up to date and efficient. They are erected on grounds whose areas while not as large as modern educational standards require, appear to be ample.

Teaching staffs are efficient and in general the ratio of teacher-pupil is comparative with that of other metropolitan schools.

Altona's rapid growth has, however, imposed on some schools, accommodation and staff problems. For instance Altona East which opened in 1960 with an enrolment of 270 has now 690 pupils and St. Mary's were unable to enrol new students at the beginning of this year.

While it is regretted that the words "free education" are not really applicable, the Government by its liberal use of scholarships has done much to assist many parents to meet school expenses.

As regards equipment and other amenities, strictly essential needs are provided in the State Schools. It is left for local effort to supply other important or desirable items. Local funds for this purpose receive a Government subsidy of £1 for £1 with a higher rate for buildings and improvements. The subsidy on asembly halls is £3 for every £1 raised locally.

THE VALUE OF SCHOOL COMMITTEES

Associated with each school and working in close co-operation with head masters and teaching staff are groups of parents and citizens. In primary schools there are school committees and mothers' clubs. In secondary schools the school council, a parents and citizen association and generally a mothers' club. Certain have a canteen and canteen committee.

These bodies assist the staff of the schools in many practical ways and raise funds for equipment and amenities.

The aggregate amount of monies raised in the short life of many of Altona's schools is most considerable and satisfactory by any standard.

This is gratifying not only for the material gain, but also as indication of continued self sacrificing service by many.

Every school can point with pride to substantial benefits that have been achieved, increases in libraries and equipment and mechanical aids, etc.

The record of aid from local industry by donations and scholarships has been most impressive.

SCHOOL GROUNDS A PROBLEM

A particular difficulty facing committees and councils in Altona is the improvement and maintenance of school grounds. The foresight of the Education Department enabled it to provide all schools with ample grounds. Many schools have large areas which are subject to flooding. The Minister for Education insists that the care and upkeep of school grounds is the responsibility of local bodies. This would be no great hardship in many inner suburban districts but the extensive ground areas in Altona can only have the fringe touched with available funds. In addition, the problems of draining or grading the low lying land must be faced. Representation to the Minister has been made recently by the Altona Shire Council, that by virtue of the above facts Altona should receive special consideration. At least the Minister did visit our schools though unfortunately not in wet conditions.

LIBRARY FACILITIES

The vital need to develop sound reading ideas and love of good literature has been realised in the emphasis many schools have given to building of libraries. Several schools are moving in the direction of assembly halls—a long felt move in Altona now made more possible by a generous subsidy.

According to its life or stage of progress each school body is independently seeking to secure its aim—the harmony of the school and the welfare of the scholars.

A few brief notes on each of our eight state schools and the two Catholic schools are appended. Of these 10 schools only two, Altona Primary and St. Mary's, were in existence prior to 1952—

ALTONA PRIMARY

PRIMARY SCHOOL 3923 in Blyth Street, Altona Founded in 1925.

A special class school with provision for certain experimental and demonstration work. Area 6 3/8th acres. 680 pupils. Head Master: Mr. G. H. L. Treyvaud, M.A.C.E.

Prime need of the school is a library building and facilities.

Mr. Treyvaud and Miss Ridsdale, Infant Head Mistress, recently received the honour of being awarded a membership of the Australian College of Education.

SEAHOLME PRIMARY

PRIMARY SCHOOL 4440, corner Millers Road and Civic Parade, Seaholme.

Founded in 1952. First class school. 510 pupils. Area 5 acres.

The school has reached saturation point—there is a great need for additional class rooms. Head Master: Mr. A. F. Blackie.

The school is aiming for an assembly hall.

ALTONA EAST

PRIMARY SCHOOL 4805, Marion Street, Altona East.

Founded in 1960. First class school. 690 pupils. Area 5 acres.

This school has had exceptional growth. Head Master: Mr. C. G. Duffy.

Prime need is a library.

BROOKLYN WEST

PRIMARY SCHOOL 4825, Blackshaws Road, Altona North.

Founded in 1960. First class school. 400 pupils. Area 6 acres.

Head Master: Mr. I. McArthur.

Prime need is ground development.

ALTONA WEST

PRIMARY SCHOOL 4862, Belmar Avenue, Altona West.

Founded in 1962. First class school. 352 pupils. Area approximately 6 acres.

Provision for more accommodation has been approved.

Head Master: Mr. R. C. Sullivan.

Prime need is a canteen building.

ALTONA NORTH TECH.

ALTONA NORTH TECHNICAL SCHOOL, Millers Road, Altona North.

Founded 1959. Special class school. 619 pupils. In addition 53 people have availed themselves of the opportunity to enrol in night classes. Area 13 acres.

Principal Mr. W. R. Seamer, B.Sc., Dip. Ed.

Prime need is an assembly hall.

ALTONA HIGH

ALTONA HIGH SCHOOL, Civic Parade, Altona.

Founded in 1959. Class one school. 539 pupils. Area 15 acres.

Head Master: Mr. W. J. Storey, D.F.C., B.A., Dip. Ed., at present overseas. Mr. H. I. Sheeran, B.Com., Dip. Ed., is acting Head Master.

Prime need is ground improvement.

ALTONA NORTH HIGH

ALTONA NORTH HIGH SCHOOL, McArthurs Road, Altona North.

Founded in 1960. Class one school. 670 pupils. Area 15 acres.

Head Master: Mr. R. A. McGill, B.A., B.Ed.

Prime need is ground improvement.

ST. MARY'S

ST. MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL, Railway Street, Altona.

Founded in 1927. Classes for children from Grades 1 to 8. 450 pupils.

Sister Mary Veronica is in charge.

Due to lack of teaching staff no new pupils were enrolled this year.

ST. JOSEPH'S

ST. JOSEPH'S REGIONAL GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL, Maidstone Street, Altona.

Founded in 1964. 64 pupils.

Sister Mary John is in charge.

Being its first year of operation the school has only Form 3 students. Students are drawn from Altona, surrounding suburbs and Werribee.

SEAHOLME PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

Head teacher (Mr. Blackie) was recently elected presiden of the Vic. State Schools Amateur Athletic Associatio in which capacity he opene sports at Warragul yesterday

During the last fortnight th school committee has boxe and the school children du the required area for a ne cricket pitch. Pouring of th concrete is in the exper enced hands of Mr. L. G Noordenne.

The school choir is comin along well to reach a com mendable standard. About 12 children, ranging from Grad 2 through to Grade 6 atten junior and senior Recorde Band rehearsals.

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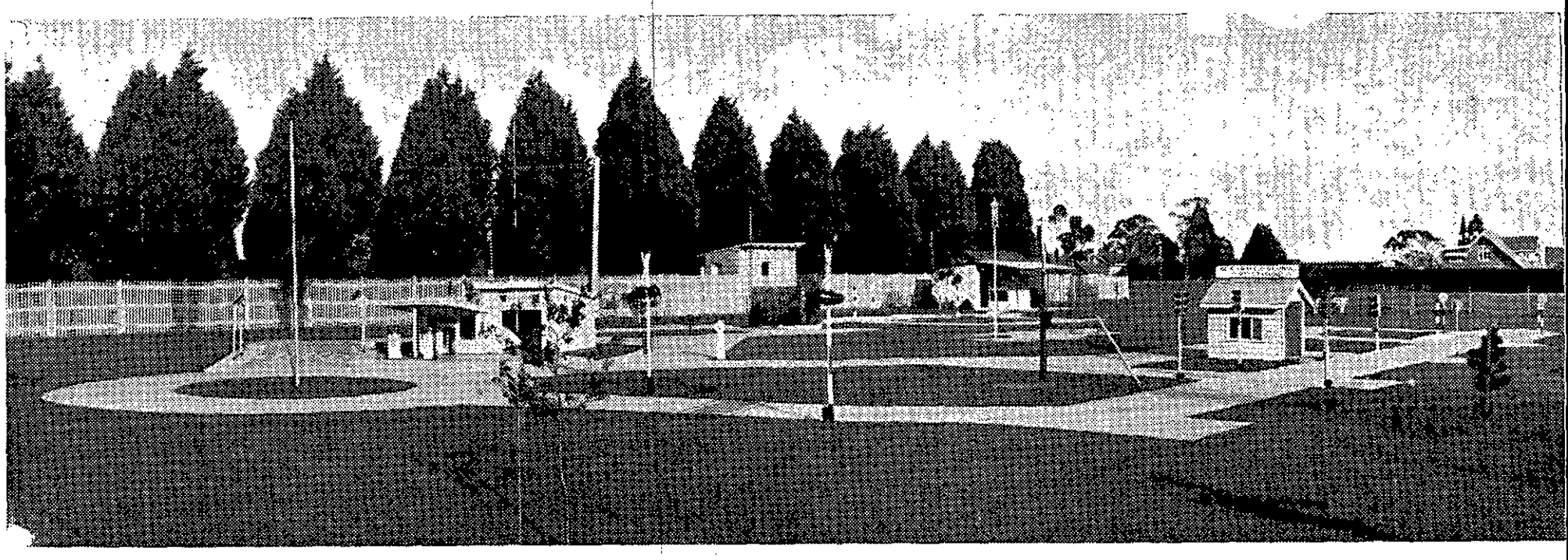

Williamstown Apex believes that a school similar to the highly successful Kew project shown here is needed in the Altona Williamstown and Footscray districts.

Year after year the traffic toll mounts and it is generally admitted that more must be done to limit this tragedy. Over 800 were killed on Victorian roads in 1963. The annual cost to Australia of road accidents has been assessed at £70,000,000. No one will count a few thousand pounds spent if it means lives saved or crippling injury avoided.

One way to help is by better instruction of children. "Children of today," stated the Geelong Advertiser recently, "have to be taught the rules of the road when they are at kindergarten or early school age, and they have to be taught so thoroughly that the lesson will remain with them for the rest of their lives."

Such a school located in the area could cater for the children and youth groups of adjoining areas. This represents a total population of approximately 80,444 which could represent 20,000 children, many of whom would own bicycles. All these children are at present denied training given to their cousins in, say, Essendon or Kew.

Apex is investigating the possibility of obtaining a site and raising the necessary money to build and equip the school. Instruction would be by a member of the Victoria Police. Children would be taken to the school in groups of approximately 30; buses would be needed for the more distant groups. A roster system can be arranged and it is estimated that the school would be in use at least four days per week throughout the school year.

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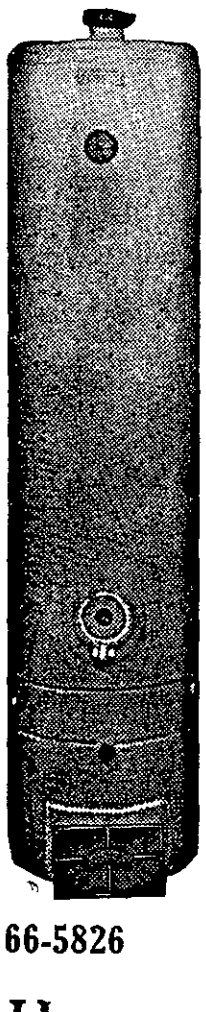

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Only batsmen to offer any resistance were Martin Crump (23 not out), and Tim Gurrie (10). Neil Davies was best bowler for West Newport with 5/29 and was backed up by Colin McPherson 3/9.

West Newport needing 122 runs for victory lost their two top scorers in the second innings for only 28 runs, but Charlie Zalewski and Laurie Carmichael restored the position until some good fielding by Ray Jensen ran out Carmichael for 12.

Then followed three quick wickets and Altona fieldsmen, remembering the first innings became over confident and the game slipped out of their grasp and eventually lost the game in a tense finish by two wickets.

Charlie Zalewski played an excellent captain's knock with 50 not out. Frank McDonald bowled well throughout the innings and ended with five wickets for 46 runs.

ALTONA.—1st Inns.:

All out for 148 runs (I. Roberts 60, C. McPherson 4/28).

W. NPT.—1st Inns.:

All out for 114 runs (D. Kakoschke 39, R. Jensen 5/9).

ALTONA.—2nd Inns.:

L. Hartney, lbw, b Car-Carmichael	18
F. McDonald, c & b Davies	11
I. Roberts, b Davies	2
M. Calaz, b Davies	7
A. Walsh, b Davies	4
M. Crump, not out	23
R. Jensen, c Duncan, b Davies	0
T. Gurrie, b McPherson	10
R. Tregear, b McPherson	0
D. Garde, c Zalewski, b McPherson	0
R. Ford, absent	0
Sundries	12
TOTAL	87

BOWLING: N. Davies 5/29, C. McPherson 3/9, L. Carmichael 1/16, C. Zalewski 0/2, D. Hendley 0/4, D. Kakoschke 0/15.

W. NPT.—2nd Inns.:

N. Davies, c Hartney, b McDonald	17
D. Kakoschke, lbw, b McDonald	7
C. Zalewski, not out	50
L. Carmichael, run out	12
K. Spiller, b McDonald	3
B. Bolger, b McDonald	4
C. McPherson, c Gurrie, b Crump	12
D. Grey, c & b McDonald	14
D. Hedley, c Tregear, b Calaz	1
A. Duncan, not out	0
Sundries	5
TOTAL	8 wickets for 122

BOWLING: F. McDonald 5/46, M. Crump 1/6, M. Calaz 1/17, R. Jensen 0/6, T. Gurrie 0/7, A Walsh 0/38.

Congratulations to West Newport on their splendid effort and also to Tony Walsh and Frank McDonald, both of Altona A.N.A. for winning the competition batting and bowling averages respectively.

SPASTIC AID

The next meeting of the Altona Spastic Aid Committee will be held on Tuesday, April 14, at 9 Upton Street, commencing at 1.30 p.m.

A street stall will be held on Saturday, April 18. Cakes, home made jams, lucky dips, etc., will be available. If the secretary has thanks giving tins, these will also be obtainable from the street stall.

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ALTONA HIGH ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK

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We are pleased to be able to publish the results of the Altona Life Saving Club Championships held on March 21, 1964. The placings in all events of the day are as follows—

Club Championship Swimwade.—1st, R. Swarbrick; 2nd, K. Smith; 3rd, H. Kip.

Under 18 Girls.—1st, B. Allen; 2nd, L. Allen; 3rd, B. Lobb.

Men's Open Swimwade.—1st, C. Cotter; 2nd, R. Swarbrick; 3rd, H. Kip.

Under 16 Boys.—1st, B. Jablonsky; 2nd, I. McCulloch; 3rd, J. Richards.

Women's Open.—1st, B. Allen; 2nd, B. Lobb.

Under 16 Girls.—Cancelled.

Men's Novice.—1st, P. Stokes; 2nd, F. Wynands; 3rd, R. Bailey.

Under 14 Boys.—1st, C. Mellett; 2nd, J. McQuarry; 3rd, D. McCulloch.

Women's Novice.—1st, J. J. Smith; 2nd, R. Emerson; 3rd, D. McIntosh.

Under 14 Girls.—1st, K. Stirling; 2nd, P. McCallum; 3rd, B. Meehan.

Under 18 Boys.—1st, R. Swarbrick; 2nd, C. Cotter; 3rd, E. Kip.

Under 12 Boys.—1st, N. Thomas; 2nd, R. Byrne; 3rd, G. McLean.

Under 12 Girls.—1st, D. McIntosh; 2nd, M. Grierson; 3rd, J. McQuarry.

Boys Relay.—1st, Altona; 2nd, Williamstown; 3rd, Williamstown.

Men's Musical Flags.—1st, A. Rolley (W'town); 2nd, A. Stinker (W'town); 3rd, P. Stokes (Altona).

Boys Musical Flags.—1st, B. O'Brien (W'town); 2nd, B. Jablonski (Altona); 3rd, C. Cotter (Altona).

Mens Alarm Belt.—1st, A. Stinger (W'town); 2nd, R. Speakman (W'town); 3rd, R. Swarbrick (Altona).

Womens Alarm Belt.—1st, L. Miller (W'town); 2nd, B. Allen (Altona); 3rd, J. Bolger (Altona).

SOCIAL NEWS

There will be a "stomp dance" held in the club rooms next Friday night, April 10, 1964. All teenagers are welcome. Soft drinks ar available and admission wil be only 5/- to see and hea the fabulous sound of th Ravens Band.

The social committee woul like to remind all club men bers and friends that th annual club picnic to Emeral Lake will be held on Sunda April 19. All persons wish ting to partake of the barbe cue picnic should contact th social secretary, Mr. Ke Smith, or write their nam and number of tickets require on the sheet provided on th notice board in the trainin centre no later than Mon day, April 13. Be early an avoid disappointment.

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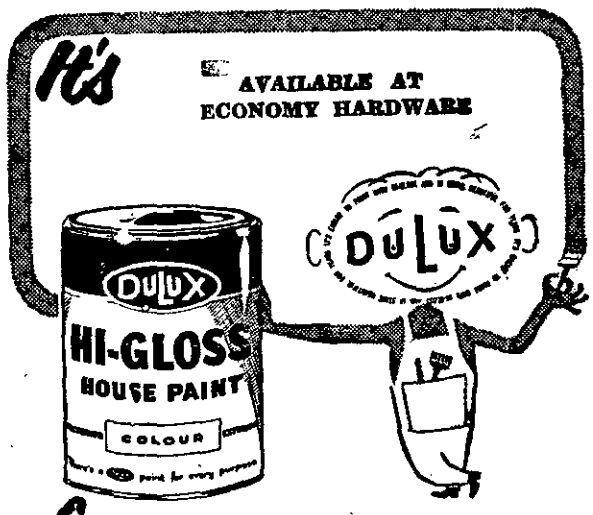

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(The following article has been contributed to the 'Star' by the Lalor Federal Electorate Council of the Democratic Labour Party—C. P. Meehan, Sec.)

In his brochure "Trade with Communist Countries," Mr. James Tehan, M.A., LL.B., a leading woolgrower and a member of the Council of the Graziers Association of Victoria, points to the dangers involved in the increased Australian trade with Red China.

Mr. Tehan says that it should be clearly realised that it is not consumer demand, but the decision of the Communist Government that decides the amount of import trade to Communist countries. Trade can be stopped "at the drop of a hat.'

Lenin looked forward to the time when the "capitalists will come to trade with us," then, said Lenin, "they will begin to finance their own destruction."

Burma, Japan and Ceylon have all suffered from the "Red trade missile."

In three years of barter trade with Burma, the Red Chinese sold Burma rice for cash to Burma's traditional customers at cut prices. The Burmese were sold short with their own rice and had to terminate the trade deal in 1957.

A Red Chinese trade delegation negotiated a trade agreement with Japan for an mount of $100,000,000. The trade agreement was repudiated by the Red Chinese Government just before the Japanese general elections. Then followed a barefaced attempt to influence Japanese foreign policy by the Reds in offering to resume trade if the Japanese "stopped for all time, speeches hostile to Communist China—refrained from intrigue to create two China's," etc.

The argument is used that it is a wonderful thing to trade food to relieve famine in China!

Red China is striving for leadership among the proletarian nations. One of the first wheat ships loaded at Geelong in the autumn of 1962 sailed to Albania. In the year of "the great national calamities" in China, 100,000 tons of rice was taken from the hungry Chinese people and sent to Cuba as a gift.

Such actions show that the Reds regard trade as a political weapon, and grains of food as weapons in the cold war.

The aim of a Communist Government is for self-sufficiency in primary products. Communist China produced 190,000,000 tons of cereals in 1962 and imported only 6,000,000 tons or less than three per cent. of their total needs.

Australian wheat acreage has doubled to meet the China market on which we now depend.

Efforts are also being made by Sir William Gunn to promote wool imports by Red China.

Communist wool purchases should not be encouraged to exceed 10 to 12 per cent of our total wool exports.

Australian dependency on the Red market will lead to the inevitable political demands by the Communists. The No. 1 policy of the Australian Communist Parties (Muscovite and Pekinese) is recognition of Red China.

Adoption of this policy by Australia would inevitably lead to the weakening of the American alliance.

Australia would then follow the path of neutralism which the Reds consider as the first step on the road to communise a nation.

Adoption of this policy could conceivably be forced on our present Government by trade pressure, when it is realised that in the coalition majority of 22 seats, 17 are occupied by Country Party members representing the interests of the Australian wheat and woolgrowers.

To involve our economy with those of our enemies is unnecessary. Our trade promotion should be in those countries where we place our confidence in the future—Japan (out best customer), Britain, the enlarged European Common Market and the United States (our third best customer).

METRO. FARM FOOTBALL CLUB

Max Molloy, a school teacher at the new Werribee West State School, has been appointed playing coach for this season. Max has played most of his football with Sandhurst in the Bendigo League but has also played with East Perth 2nd XVIII, Echuca, Seaford and Toora.

Farm officials have been delighted by the fact that they have been able to sign several new players.

Brian Walsh, a 6 ft. 2 in., 14 stone ruckman from Sealake in the Tyrell League could prove to be a decided acquisition. Already Brian is moving particularly well and looks set to have a good season.

Jim Moore a new addition to the local constabulary is another to sign. Jim last played with Hamilton Imperials and it should not be long before he hits his straps.

From the junior competition Barry O'Brien and Bob Brown have been signed.

Both would only have a reproduce last season's form to ensure selection in the first game.

YOUNG WIVES CLUB

"Children's Allowances" will be the interesting topic to be discussed at the next meeting of the Young Wives Group of St. Eanswythe's Church, of England.

The meeting will be in the church hall next Tuesday, April 14, at 8 p.m.

On this Friday, April 10, members will conduct a cake stall in Pier Street. Donations of cakes to stock the stall would be appreciated.

ALTONA HIGH EX-STUDENTS

Recently 12 ex-students met at Altona High School with the object of forming an ex-students association.

As yet no formal moves have been made to form one, but another meeting with this in view will be held at the school at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 22.

RATES MUST BE PAID BY FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 1964.

LABOUR VIEWS

(The following article has been contributed to th 'Star' by the Central Executive of the A.L.P.)

The Australian Egg Industry has a multitud of problems, but there is one which dominates a others, one problem which is the basis of futu industry progress—the achievement of an effectiv system of orderly egg marketing in Australia. With out this sound basis, the solution to other problem amount to very little.

In the past few years in Victoria, we have seen an extreme pattern of "boom and slump" with all its attendant waste of resources. Net returns to producers have declined rapidly to an uneconomical level, profitability has been at its lowest ebb.

During 1961-63, much hardship occurred and large numbers of producers left the industry and sought other employment, having wasted not only their own time, but feed and equipment.

More recently, hatchery sales have slumped and we have even experienced egg shortages so soon after massive surpluses. With High Egg Board levies to recoup losses suffered on exporting these surpluses, we have also seen the growth of interstate and bogus interstate trading.

This practice has the potential to grow even stronger and seriously threaten our existing system of marketing.

In all these squeezes, the surviving producers have shown increases in efficiency but, unfortunately, interstate marketing and pool evasion negate the challenge to be efficient.

With such reduced production, the egg industry is booming again and many problems associated with surpluses, including pool evasion and interstate trading, appear to have eased. However, with higher net returns for eggs, reports indicate many more chickens will be sold in 1964, and so produce surpluses in 1965 and 1966, and so on to another slump. Unless conditions change with the next slump, the very existence of the State Egg Marketing Board system could be threatened.

To gauge just how much the smaller producers need this marketing board system we can look overseas. There, quite logical economic development within the poultry industry is leading to "fewer but larger" units in all phases of production, where larger firms tend to dominate certain sectors such as breeding, and where even efficient small family farms are being squeezed out. Smaller producers are being forced to co-operate and group together much as smaller grocery retailers are doing.

What better protection could Australian egg producers have against the excesses of these overseas trends than an efficient and effective system of State Marketing Boards, in fact, offer smaller producers the chance to share in the benefits of integrati

In the light of the econ mic co-operation and plann ing in evidence all over th world—from poultry farme co-opeeratives right up t this International Egg Con mission and the Unite Nations, and considering Au tralia's responsibility i such places, surely it is rea sonable that Australia put i own house in order with stabilisation plan to integrat egg marketing in Australi on a fair and logical basis.

Without this basis, urgen plans to develop the hom market with promotion an egg quality are much les effective. Only on this bas can much of the waste o the "boom and bust" pa tern be avoided. But, wit prospects of surpluses agai in 1965 and 1966, and su sequent challenge to th State Marketing Board sys tem, there is an urgent nee to "do it now."

A State Labour Governmen would co-operate with th producers in the establis ment of a stabilisatio scheme.

GO-KART RACING

Visiting clubs from Mi lands, Keilor and Ballar helped to make an enjoyab afternoon at the track o Sunday, April 5.

The track was in good co dition thanks to the har work put in by some of th club members last week try and clear the oil awa Unfortunately this had to b drained some what, and on of our visitors from Keilo found it—ever had an o bath? Hate to thing wha mum will say, he means t stay on the track in futur

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